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1. MFA HAS SENT US THIRD PERSON NOTE NO. 78-1620 DATED JUNE 27, FORMALLY NOTIFYING USG THAT ASEAN FOREIGN MINISTERS HAVE AGREED TO US PROPOSAL TO HAVE THE SECOND US/ASEAN DIALOGUE AT THE MINISTERIAL LEVEL IN WASHINGTON ON AUGUST 3 TO 4. NOTE STATES THAT EACH ASEAN COUNTRY WOULD DETERMINE COMPOSITION OF ITS OWN DELEGATION, AND STRESSES PRIORITY AND IMPORTANCE OF ISSUES IDENTIFIED BY ASEAN ECONOMIC MINISTERS. SEE MANILA 10433 AND 10434.

2. EMBASSY HAS ACKNOWLEDGED RECEIPT OF MFA NOTIFICATION WITH THIRD PERSON NOTE NO. 368 DATED JUNE 30, WHICH AT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SAME TIME TRANSMITTED REVISED DRAFT AGENDA CONTAINED IN REFTEL. THIS, ALONG WITH QUESTIONS IN COMMENTS SECTION REFTEL, WAS HANDCARRIED TO JOE FERNANDEZ, WHO SAID THAT MRS. MANALO NEXT WEEK WOULD BE IN A POSITION TO REPLY OR OBTAIN REPLIES TO THE QUESTIONS. IN MEANTIME, HE SUGGESTED TWO SMALL CHANGES. ITEM 2 SHOULD READ "STATEMENT BY ASEAN SPOKESMAN." LAST ENTRY SHOULD READ, "DINNER HOSTED BY

ASEAN MINISTERS." FERNANDEZ ALSO SAID IT MIGHT BE DIFFICULT TO GET THE MINISTERS UP IN TIME FOR AN 8:00 A. M. BREAKFAST.

3. EXCHANGE OF NOTES BEING POUCHED EA/EP. IN VIEW OF INNUMERABLE EXCHANGES IN PAST (IN FORM OF AIDE MEMOIRE) AND RECENT EXCHANGE OF NOTES, FERNANDEZ THOUGHT THAT FORMAL PROPOSAL FROM USG WOULD NOT BE NECESSARY, BUT AS USUAL, SAID THIS WOULD HAVE TO BE CONFIRMED BY MRS. MANALO.

4. WE PLAN TO SEE MRS. MANALO AT FIRST OPPORTUNITY NEXT WEEK IN EFFORT OBTAIN SOME ANSWERS IMMEDIATELY.
MURPHY

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